

# NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

**This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents**

## BASIC INFORMATION

### Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Woodland State: CA

ZIP: 95695 Country: USA

Latitude: 38.592608 Longitude: -121.838837

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

### Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 02/24/2018 Local Time: 0500  
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: PST

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

## AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N630ML

Manufacturer: Robinson Helicopter Company

Model: R44 Raven II

Serial Number: 10603

Year of Manufacture: 2005

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified  
☐ Commercial Space Flight  
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 2500 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1950 lbs

Number of Seats: 4 Flight Crew Seats: 1

Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 3

Number of Engines: 1

### Category of Aircraft

- ☐ Airplane  
☐ Balloon  
☐ Blimp/Dirigible  
☐ Glider  
☐ Gyroplane  
☒ Helicopter  
☐ Powered Lift  
☐ Rocket  
☐ Ultralight  
☐ Unknown

### Type of Airworthiness Certificate

(Check all that apply)

#### Standard

- ☒ Normal  
☐ Aerobatic  
☐ Balloon  
☐ Commuter  
☐ Transport  
☐ Utility

#### Special

- ☐ Restricted  
☐ Limited  
☐ Provisional  
☐ Special Flight  
☐ Experimental  
☐ Special Light-Sport  
☐ Experimental Light-Sport

- ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)  
☒ None ☐ Unknown

### Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

☐ Retractable

- ☐ Tricycle ☐ Tailwheel  
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid  
☐ Emergency Float ☒ Skid  
☐ Float ☐ Ski  
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel  
☐ Other Launch/Recovery System  
☐ None ☐ Unknown

### Engine Type (Select one)

- ☒ Reciprocating ☐ Liquid Rocket  
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Solid Rocket  
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Hybrid Rocket  
☐ Turbo Jet ☐ None  
☐ Turbo Fan ☐ Unknown  
☐ Electric

### Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☐ Carburetor ☒ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Rated Power <input checked="" type="radio"/> Horsepower or <input type="radio"/> lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	<u>Lycoming</u>	<u>IO-540</u>			<u>derated to 245</u>	<u>2154.9</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>86.7</u>
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

### Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour ☐ Continuous Airworthiness  
☐ AAIP ☐ Conditional Inspection  
☒ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 2/17/2018  
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 2154.9 hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

- ☐ Last Inspection ☒ Time of Accident/Incident

### Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☐ Annual  
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)  
☒ Manufacturer's Inspection Program  
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)  
☐ Continuous Airworthiness  
☐ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

### Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐ None  
☒ Specify: handheld halon fire extinguisher

### Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch  
☐ Controllable Pitch  
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_

### Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch  
☐ Controllable Pitch  
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: \_\_\_\_\_

Model or Part No.: \_\_\_\_\_

TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ OC91a (121.5 MHz)  
☐ OC126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage  
☐ Fire Damage  
☐ Battery Expired/Damaged  
☐ Unknown

### Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☐ ADS-B  
☐ Airframe Parachute  
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator  
☐ Autopilot  
☐ Data Recorder  
☒ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device  
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display  
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display  
☐ Handheld GPS  
☐ Heads Up Display  
☐ Onboard Weather  
☐ Satellite Tracking Device  
☐ Stall Warning System  
☐ Video Recording Device  
☐ Other, Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION****Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Flying M Air, LLCCity: MalagaState: WAZIP: 98828Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ NoCountry: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☒ Same As Registered Owner☒ Same Address as Registered Owner

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Doing Business As: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): Part 135 YZ7A24

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

**Operating Certificates Held**

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ None  
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)  
☐ Supplemental  
☐ Air Cargo  
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)  
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)  
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)  
☒ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)  
☒ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)  
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)  
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)  
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)  
☐ Commercial Space Transportation  
Experimental Permit  
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License  
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

**Regulation Flight Conducted Under**

- ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415  
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431  
☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435  
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437
- ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight  
☐ Non-US, Commercial  
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial
- ☐ Public Aircraft (Select one)  
☐ Armed Forces  
☐ Federal  
☐ State  
☐ Local  
☐ Unknown

**Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135**

(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic  
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International
- ☐ Passenger  
☐ Cargo  
☐ Mail Contract Only

**Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137**

(Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown  
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test  
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow  
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional  
☐ Banner Tow ☒ Other Work Use  
☐ Business ☐ Personal  
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning  
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving  
☐ Ferry

**Revenue Sightseeing Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)**Airport Name: Yolo County AirportDistance From Airport Center: 1.15 smAirport Identifier: DWADirection From Airport: 45 degrees trueProximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/AAirport Elevation: 100 ft. msl**Runway Information**Runway ID: n/a (L/R/C) Length: \_\_\_\_\_ ft Width: \_\_\_\_\_ ft**Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)**

- ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water  
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood  
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown

**Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)**

- ☒ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm  
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy  
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy  
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet  
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft  
☐ Slush-Covered ☒ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

**Approach/Departure Segment (Select one)**

- ☐ Taxi ☒ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach  
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around  
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)  
☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

**IFR Approach (Check all that apply)**

- ☐ None
- ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice  
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS  
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR  
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual  
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact  
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling  
☐ Unknown

**VFR Approach (Check all that apply)**

- ☐ None
- ☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go  
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go  
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing  
☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing  
☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing  
☐ Unknown

## "FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION

### "Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

☒ Pilot
 ☐ Co-Pilot
 ☐ Student Pilot
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Check Pilot
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☒ Yes ☐ No

### "Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Maria City of Residence: Malaga  
 Middle Initial: L State: WA ZIP: 98828  
 Last Name: Langer Country: USA  
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: 56 Date of Birth: 1961 mm/dd/yyyy  
 Certificate Number:                     

<b>Degree of Injury</b> <input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Fatal <input checked="" type="radio"/> Minor <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input type="radio"/> Serious	<b>Seat Occupied</b> <input type="radio"/> Left <input type="radio"/> Front <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="radio"/> Right <input type="radio"/> Rear <input type="radio"/> Center <input type="radio"/> Single	<b>Restraint Type</b> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td> <input type="radio"/> None  <input type="radio"/> Lap only  <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3-point  <input type="radio"/> 4-point  <input type="radio"/> 5-point  <input type="radio"/> Unknown                 </td> <td> <input type="radio"/> None  <input type="radio"/> Lap only  <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3-point  <input type="radio"/> 4-point  <input type="radio"/> 5-point  <input type="radio"/> Unknown                 </td> </tr> </table>	Available	Used	<input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Lap only <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3-point <input type="radio"/> 4-point <input type="radio"/> 5-point <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Lap only <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3-point <input type="radio"/> 4-point <input type="radio"/> 5-point <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Inflatable Restraints</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Installed <input type="checkbox"/> Installed <input type="checkbox"/> Not Deployed <input type="checkbox"/> Deployed <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown								
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<b>Principal Occupation</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Pilot <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Medical Certificate</b> <input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Class 3 <input type="radio"/> Class 1 <input type="radio"/> Driver's License (Sport Pilot only) <input checked="" type="radio"/> Class 2 <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Medical Certificate Validity</b> <input type="radio"/> Without limitations/waivers <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="radio"/> With limitations/waivers <input type="radio"/> N/A <input type="radio"/> Special Issuance	<b>Date of Last Medical</b> <u>01/30/2018</u> mm/dd/yyyy
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### Medical Certificate Limitations

Must wear corrective lenses, possess glasses for near/intermediate vision.

### Medical Certificate Special Issuance

<b>Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:</b> <u>07/19/2017</u> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>Flight Review Aircraft</b> Make: <u>Robinson Helicopter Company</u> Model: <u>R44 Raven II</u>
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<b>Airplane Rating(s)</b> (Check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Single-Engine Land <input type="checkbox"/> Single-Engine Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Multiengine Land <input type="checkbox"/> Multiengine Sea	<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s)</b> (Check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Airship <input type="checkbox"/> Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Glider <input type="checkbox"/> Gyroplane <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Helicopter <input type="checkbox"/> Powered Lift	<b>Instrument Rating(s)</b> (Check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> Helicopter <input type="checkbox"/> Powered Lift	<b>Instructor Rating(s)</b> (Check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane Single-Engine <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane Multi-Engine <input type="checkbox"/> Gyroplane <input type="checkbox"/> Powered Lift <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Instrument Airplane  <input type="checkbox"/> Instrument Helicopter  <input type="checkbox"/> Helicopter  <input type="checkbox"/> Glider  <input type="checkbox"/> Sport                 </div>
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<b>Type Ratings</b>	<b>Student Endorsements</b> (Include dates)
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Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	3620	2400	1.8	0	84.8	0	13.2	3615	.9	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	3500	2400	0	0	81.4	0	13.2	3500	0	0
Time as Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
This Make/Model					58.9	0	2.6			
Last 90 Days	8.6	8.6	0	0	0	0	0	8.6	0	0
Last 30 Days	5.5	5.5	0	0	0	0	0	5.5	0	0
Last 24 Hours	0.1	0.1	0	0	0.1	0	0	0.1	0	0

### **“Flight Crewmember 2” Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

**“Flight Crewmember 2” was pilot flying** ☐ Yes ☐ No

First Name: n/a

Middle Initial:

Last Name:

City of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Country:

Age at time of Accident/Incident: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ *mm/dd/yyyy*

Certificate Number:

☐ None
 ☐ Fatal  
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown  
☐ Serious

☐ Left      ☐ Front      ☐ Unknown  
☐ Right      ☐ Rear  
☐ Center      ☐ Single

**Available**

☐ None  
☐ Lap only  
☐ 3-point  
☐ 4-point  
☐ 5-point  
☐ Unknown

☐ None  
☐ Lap only  
☐ 3-point  
☐ 4-point  
☐ 5-point  
☐ Unknown

- ☐ Not Installed
- ☐ Installed
- ☐ Not Deployed
- ☐ Deployed
- ☐ Unknown

☐ None
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Commercial
 ☐ US Military

☐ Private
 ☐ Recreational
 ☐ Airline Transport
 ☐ Foreign

☐ Student
 ☐ Sport
 ☐ Flight Engineer

☐ Pilot  
☐ Other  
☐ Unknown

☐ None      ☐ Class 3  
☐ Class 1      ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)  
☐ Class 2      ☐ Unknown

☐ Without limitations/waivers      ☐ Unknown  
☐ With limitations/waivers      ☐ N/A  
☐ Special Issuance

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*mm/dd/yyyy*

### Medical Certificate Special Issuance

**Date of Last Flight Review  
or Equivalent, Including  
FAR 121/135 Checks:**

mm/dd/yyyy

**Make:**

**Model:**

**Airplane Rating(s)**  
(Check all that apply)

☐ None  
☐ Single-Engine Land  
☐ Single-Engine Sea  
☐ Multiengine Land  
☐ Multiengine Sea

**Other Aircraft Rating(s)**  
(Check all that apply)

☐ None  
☐ Airship  
☐ Balloon  
☐ Glider  
☐ Gyroplane  
☐ Helicopter  
☐ Powered Lift

**Instrument Rating(s)**  
(Check all that apply)

☐ None  
☐ Airplane  
☐ Helicopter  
☐ Powered Lift

**Instructor Rating(s)**  
(Check all that apply)

☐ None  
☐ Airplane Single-Engine  
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine  
☐ Gyroplane  
☐ Powered Lift  
☐ Instrument Airplane  
☐ Instrument Helicopter  
☐ Helicopter  
☐ Glider  
☐ Sport

## Type Ratings

**Student Endorsements** *(Include dates)*

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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)							
<b>Crew Name and Address</b> First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____				<b>Seat Occupied</b> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="radio"/> Left  <input type="radio"/> Center  <input type="radio"/> Right               </div> <div> <input type="radio"/> Front  <input type="radio"/> Rear  <input type="radio"/> Single  <input type="radio"/> Unknown               </div> </div>		<b>Injury</b> <input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Minor <input type="radio"/> Serious <input type="radio"/> Fatal <input type="radio"/> Unknown	
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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)							
<b>Name and Address</b> First Name: _____ City : _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input type="radio"/> Crew               <input type="radio"/> Passenger               <input type="radio"/> Other             </div>		<b>Seat</b> <input type="radio"/> Left <input type="radio"/> Center <input type="radio"/> Right <input type="radio"/> Unknown Row: _____	<b>Injury</b> <input type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Minor <input type="radio"/> Serious <input type="radio"/> Fatal <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Restraint Type</b> <div style="display: flex;"> <div style="flex: 1;"> <b>Available</b>  <input type="radio"/> None  <input type="radio"/> Lap Only  <input type="radio"/> 3-point  <input type="radio"/> 4-point  <input type="radio"/> 5-point  <input type="radio"/> Unknown               </div> <div style="flex: 1;"> <b>Used</b>  <input type="radio"/> None  <input type="radio"/> Lap Only  <input type="radio"/> 3-point  <input type="radio"/> 4-point  <input type="radio"/> 5-point  <input type="radio"/> Unknown               </div> </div>		<b>Inflatable Restraints</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Not Installed <input type="checkbox"/> Installed <input type="checkbox"/> Not Deployed <input type="checkbox"/> Deployed <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	<b>Age</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Under 5 years <i>If Under 5,</i> <input type="radio"/> Child Restraint <input type="radio"/> Lap-Held <input type="radio"/> Unknown
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## FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

<b>Last Departure Point</b> Airport ID: <u>DWA</u> City: <u>Davis</u> State: <u>CA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	<b>Time of Departure</b> Time: <u>0500</u> Time Zone: <u>PST</u>	<b>Destination</b> Airport ID: _____ City: <u>Woodland</u> State: <u>CA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	<b>Type Flight Plan Filed</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> None <input type="radio"/> Company VFR <input type="radio"/> Military VFR <input type="radio"/> VFR <input type="radio"/> VFR/IFR <input type="radio"/> IFR <input type="radio"/> Unknown Activated? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Unknown
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<b>Type of ATC Clearance/Service</b> (Check all that apply)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> Special VFR	<input type="checkbox"/> Special IFR	<input type="checkbox"/> VFR Flight Following	<input type="checkbox"/> Cruise
<input type="checkbox"/> VFR	<input type="checkbox"/> IFR	<input type="checkbox"/> VFR On Top	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Advisory	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown / NA

<b>Airspace where the accident/incident occurred</b> (Check all that apply)			<b>Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence:</b> _____ ft msl
<input type="checkbox"/> Class A	<input type="checkbox"/> Class G	<input type="checkbox"/> Military Operations Area (MOA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Special
<input type="checkbox"/> Class B	<input type="checkbox"/> Demo Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Airport Advisory Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Air Traffic Control Area
<input type="checkbox"/> Class C	<input type="checkbox"/> Warning Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Jet Training Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
<input type="checkbox"/> Class D	<input type="checkbox"/> Prohibited Area	<input type="checkbox"/> TRSA	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Class E	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted Area	<input type="checkbox"/> FAR 93	

## WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

<b>Source of Pilot Weather Information</b> (Check all that apply)	<b>Weather Observation Facility</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Weather Service <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Service Station <input type="checkbox"/> TV/Radio <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automated Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) <input type="checkbox"/> On-Board Weather	Facility ID: <u>DWA AWOS</u> Observation Time: <u>0500</u> Time Zone: <u>PST</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>1.15</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>225</u> degrees true
<input type="checkbox"/> Company <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internet <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	

<b>Basic Conditions</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> VMC <input type="radio"/> IMC <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Light Condition</b> <input type="radio"/> Dawn <input type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> Dusk <input checked="" type="radio"/> Night <input type="radio"/> Dark Night <input type="radio"/> Unknown <input type="radio"/> Bright Night
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<b>Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Clear <input type="radio"/> Few <input type="radio"/> Partial Obscuration <input type="radio"/> Scattered <input type="radio"/> Thin Broken <input type="radio"/> Thin Overcast <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Ceiling</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/> None (Clear) <input type="radio"/> Broken <input type="radio"/> Overcast <input type="radio"/> Obscured <input type="radio"/> Indefinite <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Temperature:</b> <u>-2</u> (C) or _____ (F) <b>Dew Point:</b> _____ (C) or _____ (F) <b>Altimeter Setting:</b> _____ in. Hg or _____ MB
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition Height</b> _____ ft agl	<b>Ceiling Height</b> _____ ft agl	

<b>Wind Direction</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Variable -or- Direction: _____ degrees true	<b>Wind Speed</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Calm <input type="checkbox"/> Light and Variable -or- Speed: _____ kts	<b>Wind Gusts</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Not Gusting -or- Speed: _____ kts	<b>Visibility</b> <u>10</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles <b>Density Altitude:</b> _____ ft
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<b>Intensity of Precipitation</b> <input type="radio"/> Light <input type="radio"/> Moderate <input type="radio"/> Heavy <input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A <input type="radio"/> Unknown	<b>Type of Precipitation</b> (Check all that apply)	<b>Restriction to Visibility</b> (Check all that apply)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Rain <input type="checkbox"/> Snow <input type="checkbox"/> Hail <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Showers <input type="checkbox"/> Drizzle <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Pellets <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Pellets <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Grains <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Crystals <input type="checkbox"/> Freezing Rain <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Shower <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Pellets Shower <input type="checkbox"/> Freezing Drizzle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Dust <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Sand <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Snow <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Spray <input type="checkbox"/> Dust <input type="checkbox"/> Fog <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Fog <input type="checkbox"/> Haze <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Fog <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

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NOTAMs (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

**DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY****Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None      ☒ Substantial  
☐ Minor      ☐ Destroyed  
                 ☐ Unknown

**Aircraft Fire**

- ☐ None      ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight  
☐ In-Flight      ☐ Fire at Unknown Time  
☒ On-Ground      ☐ Unknown

**Aircraft Explosion**

- ☒ None      ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight  
☐ In-Flight      ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time  
☐ On-Ground      ☐ Unknown

**Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property** *(Use additional sheet if necessary)*

Tail rotor, horizontal stabilizer, vertical stabilizer, and most of skids were apparently torn off during collision with tall trees. Helicopter substantially damaged on multiple impacts and possible rolling on ground. Main rotor blades broken but still attached. Small post-crash fire in rear of engine compartment extinguished before emergency services arrived. Full fuel tanks equipped with bladders did not rupture or catch fire.

Other than several tall trees getting "trimmed" on impact, there was no property damage.

**NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT** *(Please type or print in ink)*

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

I had just launched from Yolo County Airport enroute to an almond orchard about a mile northwest of the airport. I was on a frost control flight which required me to fly 15-30 feet over the tops of almond trees to circulate air. It was dark but the weather was clear and I did have clear sight of the horizon. I was using my iPad (authorized as an EFB by the FAA) to help me find the orchard blocks I needed to fly over. I was at about 300 feet (per my altimeter) when I realized that the iPad map was not showing my location. I checked my heading and altitude, then reached down to tap the iPad screen to fix the problem. I must have pushed the cyclic forward when I did this. I had my eyes inside the cockpit for only a few seconds before I looked up. I saw the large trees in front of me and knew immediately that it was too late to stop a collision. I may have pulled back on the cyclic in a reaction. The helicopter went through the trees and ended in a field on its side facing the direction from which I'd come. I was able to remove my seatbelt and climb out. There was a small fire in the rear of the engine compartment and although I don't remember doing so, I used the fire extinguisher and the fire went out before emergency services arrived. (Earlier reports may state I found the fire extinguisher broken, but apparently I did use it, dropped it, and later picked it up and thought it was broken.)

**RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)**

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

This accident could have been prevented by the pilot (me) not getting distracted by inside instruments, especially during nighttime operations when peripheral vision can't pick up altitude/attitude changes.

**MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)**Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

**Total Time/Cycles  
On Part**

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours

\_\_\_\_\_ Cycles

**Time Since This Part  
Inspected/Overhauled**

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours

**FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION****Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

approx 46 Gallons**Fuel Type**☐ 80/87☐ 115/145☐ Jet B☐ Other, specify \_\_\_\_\_☒ 100 Low Lead☐ Jet A☐ JP8☐ 100/130☐ Jet A-1☐ Automotive**Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure****EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT**Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No**Method of Exit** – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

Only one person on board and I honestly can't tell you how I got out. It was either through the door/doorway or through the broken cockpit bubble.

**OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft)****Aircraft Registration Number**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Manufacturer:** \_\_\_\_\_**Model:** \_\_\_\_\_**Damage to Other Aircraft**☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None**Registered Owner of Other Aircraft**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pilot of Other Aircraft**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_



**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I no longer have possession of the aircraft logbooks so I don't have engine model, serial number, and manufacture date available. The insurance company should have this if it's needed. The engine was overhauled with the helicopter in February 2017 and had less than 90 hours of time since then. It was not part of the accident cause.

This accident was entirely my fault through complacency and stupidity. I am lucky to be alive and even luckier that I was not seriously injured. I'm glad I was able to provide details about the crash to the FAA and NTSB to minimize the amount of work required to investigate this crash. Since the accident, I have felt a real need to share information about it and the stupidity that caused it with other pilots in an effort to help them understand how complacency can kill them.

I owned that helicopter for 13 years -- since new -- and really miss it.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report

03/16/2018

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Maria Langer

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

-- or --

☒ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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